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The following observations were made in the OSCHATZ (N 52/E 71) area:

1. Former Infanterie (Remonte) Kaserne:

Occupied by tank and motorized rifle units of about 500 troops. Some of the units had only recently returned from troop training grounds.

2. Fliegerhorst Kaserne:

a. The tank units stationed here returned by road from the KOENIGSBRUECK (N 52/A 31) troop training grounds between 22 October and 8 November 1949. The tanks, including some tank chassis, moved in columns of 10 to 15 vehicles, always at night. They used the road via MERK-WITZ (N 52/E 71) and COLLM (N 52/E 61). A total of 44 T 34 tanks and 76.2-mm guns were observed with the returning units.

b. More than 1,500 troops were quartered at the airfield on 15 November 1949. Small groups of soldiers kept arriving from the maneuver grounds.

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d. Guns and machine guns of tanks were adjusted on the field range along the road leading to STRIESA (N 52/E 71), where aircraft armament had previously been adjusted.

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Comment:  
Among other units, the 8th Mtz Rifle Regt (Remonte Kaserne) and the 23rd Tank Regt (Fliegerhorst Kaserne) of the 9th Tank Div are stationed in OSCHATZ. The report confirms that these units returned to OSCHATZ from the KOENIGSBRUECK and ZEITHAIN troop training grounds in late October and early November 1949.

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